GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SUICIDES BY STATE POLICE PERSONNEL
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been several cases of suicides by State police personnel in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to identify the reasons behind such cases; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check such cases in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): 'Police' and 'Law and Order' are State subjects, falling in Entry 1 and 2 of List II of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. However, as per data maintained by National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), a States / Union Territories- wise breakup of number of suicides by State Police Personnel in the year 2011 to 2013 is at Annex.

(c) & (d): The Union Government has been advising the State Governments for improving the working conditions of their police personnel and to undertake necessary welfare measures. They have also been advised to put in place an effective mechanism for redressal of personnel grievances and resolution of inter-personal problems and to conduct appropriate sensitisation training programmes. Central assistance for improving the housing satisfaction, better facilities at police stations and strengthening of State Government training institutions is provided to State Police through the Scheme for Modernisation of Police Forces (MPF). During the 12th Five Year Plan, i.e., from the year 2012-13 to 2016-17, under the MPF Scheme, an allocation of Rs. 8628.43 crore (including Rs. 432.90 crore for Mega City Policing for Ahmedabad, Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Bengaluru) and Rs. 3750.87 crore towards 'Non-Plan' and 'Plan' activities respectively has been approved.